

4. (*Soma*) the sovereign of the
universe flows
forth ; surpassing the Rishis he desired
the worship
of the all-seeing truthful (!XBRA)
; he who is
cleansed by the ray of the sun, the
father of praise,
the unequalled sage.
5. As a bull (entering) the herd thoi
rushes:
to the receptacle, on the top
of the waters,
showering (benefits) crying aloud; thou
flowest for
Ixi)HA? most exhilarating, so that
we may be
victorious in battle protected by thee,

X. J

Deity, *jRishL* and metre as before.

6. The sweet -flavoured beverage
sounds in the
pitcher, the thunderbolt of IXDEA. more
beautiful
than the beautiful:² (the streams) of this
veracious
(*Soma*) approach yielding much
milk, dropping
water, lowing like kine (laden) with
milk.
7. That ancient (*Sowa*) flows, which
the hawk,
despatched (for the purpose), brought
down from
heaven passing through the (third'*
world; he"
detaches the sweet-flavoured (*So/na*)
flying down-
wards₅ with mind full of fear of the
archer ***Esisdtiu****

¹ Sama Yeda, I. 6. 2, 2. 3.

² Savana explains the words *vajti&lio wpu&tzrah*
as ^{kk'} s:\ring

seed more than any other sower of seed."

^s Say ana refers *sah* to the *Sowa* ; It would SC-L-EI
here to refr
to the hawk, who is afraid of* *JTriMnu*. t^e
protector cf the
Soma. As to the legend, Sayana cites *A^f.tt^s*
*L'rar.^jy**,
III. 2G.